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In re application of

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Carlos PEDRIDO, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1731

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Examiner: John M. HOFFMANN

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For: PREFORM INLET ARRANGEMENT FOR AN OPTICAL FIBER DRAWING FURNACE, A FURNACE PROVIDED WITH THAT KIND OF INLET ARRANGEMENT, AND A PREFORM EQUIPPED TO CO-OPERATE WITH THAT INLET ARRANGEMENT

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers-Filing Date Granted", mailed August 29, 2005, submitted herewith is a Supplemental Application Data Sheet, wherein the inventors' citizenships are listed as follows:

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Also, attached is a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

Consideration of the attached is respectfully requested.

**Response to Notice to File Corrected
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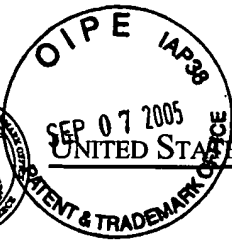
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Notice of Allowance Mailed

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 30 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) or (b).

- This communication is in regards to the oath/declaration. Countries for both inventors residences are missing from the oath/declaration.

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